



**Bloxham
School**

**Additional
Information**

2004/ 2005

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TEACHING STAFF

Headmaster	M E Allbrook MA Trinity Hall Cambridge
Deputy Head	L G Harrop BA University of London
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Director of Studies	D A Cooper Bsc Bed MSc MCollP Dundee/Manchester Met/ Open
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M J Tideswell CertEd DipPE St Luke's Exeter
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* Housemaster or Housemistress

VISITING MUSIC STAFF

P Pontzen BSc	Piano
G Smith	Piano
Mrs S D Pye BA LGSM	Flute & Recorder
P A Lee GRSM Dip RCM	Clarinet
Ms J Cockburn BA LTCL	Clarinet
J Seagroatt CT(ABRSM)	Sax/Tech. A level
Ms J McCarthy	Horn
AR Pritchard ATD	Trumpet
C Windass ABSM, GBSM	Violin + Viola
P Adams	Cello
J Whitworth D Phil	Classical Guitar
M Bosworth	Electric Guitar+
	Rock Bands
R Mizraki	Bass Guitar +
	Double Bass
Ms M Woodcock	Guitar
M Doffman BA CT(ABRSM)	Drumkit
Ms L Ritchie DRSAM	Voice

SUPPORT STAFF

Network Manager C Rodd BSc	
ICT Technician	D Clark Bsc
	D Quinney
Sports Assistant	Mrs SK Heathcote

Additional Information

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Bursar:	N A Halfpenny BSc University of Durham MSc, Durham Business School	Registrar Medical Officers:	Mrs S H McClellan Stephen Haynes MBBS MRCGP DSSP Melanie Patton MB ChB, MRGP
Bursar's PA	Mrs V E Turner	Hospital Sister	Mrs S Ashton RGN,
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*Director of Marketing	A N Irvine Cert Ed.		
Headmaster's PA	Mrs H Hill		

CURRICULUM

Lower School (Years 7 And 8)

English	Physics	Technology *
Maths	Chemistry	Latin
French	Biology	Religious Education
History	Music	Physical Education
Geography	Art	Personal & Social Education Study Skills

Third Form (Year 9)

English	Physics	Technology*
Maths	Chemistry	ICT
French	Biology	Religious Education
History	Music	Physical Education
Geography	Art	Personal & Social Education

In addition they choose another language, either German or Spanish.

*Technology (Design, Electronics, Textiles)

Fourth and Fifth Forms (Years 10 and 11)

For the two GCSE years, all pupils continue to study as examined subjects:

English Language	French	Chemistry
English Literature	Physics	Biology
Maths		

They also choose three subjects, one from each of the following blocks:

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3
Geography	Art	Art
History	German	Textiles Technology
Business Studies	Geography	Design & Technology
	Spanish	Electronics
Music**		History

All pupils take a short course in Religious Education (a half GCSE) at the end of the 4th Form. All pupils except those in the top science set will take the full GCSE in Religious Education.

In addition all pupils have lessons in Physical Education.

** It may be possible to offer music in a different block if the pattern of demand suggests it.

Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)

Each Sixth Form pupil chooses 4 subjects to study. At the end of the Lower Sixth, having taken 3 modules - called AS modules - in each subject, he or she will have gained an 'AS' level in each one (Maths is an exception). Students will then select three of their subjects to continue within the Upper Sixth year. Once again they will take 3 modules - this time A2 modules - and at the end of the year they will have converted the 'AS' level into an 'A' level. At the end of their Sixth Form career pupils will have gained 3 'A' levels and 1 'AS' level.

Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4	Block 5 (lower 6th - 'AS' only)
Art			Art	
Geography	Business Studies	Chemistry	Biology	Religious Studies
German	AVCE Business	Design & Technology	Business Studies	
Mathematics	English	French	Economics	
Theatre Studies	History	Geography	English	
Politics	Physics	P E	ICT	
Psychology	Spanish			

Music is available in the first four blocks

Additional Information

ADMISSION

A boy or girl may be registered at any time, although registration does not provide a guarantee that the offer of a place will be made. In the year previous to entry, parents will be asked to confirm the registration and pay a deposit.

Before a pupil may be admitted to the School it is necessary to ensure that he or she will be capable of the academic courses at Bloxham.

Entry at age 11 (day and weekly boarding)

Boys and girls qualify by sitting our Entrance Examination which takes place in January each year. Scholarships may be awarded for an outstanding performance in this examination.

Entry at age 13 (day and full boarding)

A pupil at age 13 may qualify by sitting Common Entrance, by sitting the School's Scholarship Examination, or, for boys and girls who have not been prepared for these examinations, by sitting other tests. These tests are usually taken at the School, during the Lent term and the Headmaster would request a report from the previous school.

Entry is sometimes possible for pupils at age 14 or 15 on the basis of transfer from other schools, though the Headmaster is likely to ask such candidates to sit entry tests and would require a report from the previous school.

Entry at age 16 (day and full boarding)

Candidates for entry to the Sixth Form are asked to complete a two part form. Section A is filled in by the candidate, it should then be passed with Section B to their present Head, who is asked to give further information and return the completed form to Bloxham. Candidates are then invited to Bloxham for an interview with senior members of the staff. There is an inter-school agreement that no offers should be made before 1st December. Offers are only made to those who are expected comfortably to achieve the requirement for entry to the Sixth Form of five GCSE passes at grade 'C' and above.

Overseas Students

In the case of overseas students, it is preferable for applicants to visit Bloxham for their interview and entrance exams, but it may be possible to arrange for the testing to be carried out in their own country. All Scholarship examinations must be taken at Bloxham.

OTHER MATTERS

Health

It is expected that all pupils will have had their immunisations against whooping cough, diphtheria, poliomyelitis, measles and tetanus before coming to the School. Booster doses of tetanus, diphtheria and polio may be given to the appropriate age groups with parental consent.

Specialist treatment when required can be obtained through the Local District General Hospital or The Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, both of which are under the Oxfordshire Area Health Authority, or at The Foscote Private Hospital in Banbury. Further treatment under the National Health Service is always available and, when desired, private specialist treatment can be obtained at the parents' expense and by normal insurance.

Discipline

The Headmaster reserves the right to require the removal of a pupil at any time if, in his opinion, it is necessary in the interests of either School or pupil. No remission of fees for the remainder of the term during which the pupil has been removed will be granted.

Lower School (Years 7 & 8)

Monday-Friday		*Monday morning* to Friday morning	
8.30 a.m.	Day pupils arrive and register	8 a.m.	Boarders' breakfast
8.40 a.m.	Assembly or Chapel		
9.00-11.00 a.m.	Lessons 1-3		
11.00-11.25 a.m.	Break		
11.25-12.30 p.m.	Lessons 4-5		
12.30 p.m.	Lunch		
1.00-1.40 p.m.	Activities		
1.45-3.45 p.m.	Lessons 6-8		
3.45 p.m.	Tea		
4.00-5.00 p.m.	Prep		
5.00p.m.	Day pupils may go home		
5.00-6.00 p.m.	Optional activities		
6.15 p.m.	Lower School bus leaves	6 p.m.	Boarders' supper
		7-9 p.m.	Activities
		9.30 p.m.	Bedtime

The Lower School have games during lesson times. * Weekly boarders may return on either Sunday evening or Monday morning by arrangement with the Houseparents.

Middle School and Sixth Form (Years 9-13)

	Monday, Thursday, Friday		Tuesday, Wednesday	Saturday
7.45-8.15 a.m.	Boarders' breakfast	7.45-8.15 a.m.	Boarders' breakfast
8.30 a.m.	Day boarders arrive and register	8.30 a.m.	Day boarders arrive and register
8.40 a.m.	House Assembly	8.40 a.m.	Assembly (School or House)	
9.00-11.00 a.m.	Lessons 1-3	9.00-11.00 a.m.	Lessons 1-3
11.00-11.25 a.m.	Break	11.00-11.25 a.m.	Break
11.25-12.45 p.m.	Lessons 4-5	11.25-12.45 p.m.	Lessons 4-5
12.45-1.15 p.m.	Lunch	12.45-1.15 p.m.	Lunch
1.15-1.40 p.m.	Activities			

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1.45-3.45 p.m.	Lessons 6-8	2.00-4.00 p.m.	Games (Matches)	Matches Day - boarders and those on week- end leave go home
4.00-4.45 p.m.	Games	4.00 p.m.		
5.00-5.45 p.m.	Optional activities	4.00-5.30 p.m.	Activities	
5.45-6.15 p.m.	Tea	5.45-6.15 p.m.	Tea	
5.15 & 6.15 pm	Chapel (Friday)	7.00-9.00 p.m.	Prep	
7.00-9.00 p.m.	Prep	9.00 p.m.	Day boarders go home	
9.00 p.m.	Day boarders go home			

Destination of Leavers

Army	French / Euro studies
B U W E	Psychology
Bangor	Business Mgt / Commerce
Birmingham	Law
Bournemouth	Sport / Development
Bournemouth	Law
Bristol	Politics
Cambridge	Art Foundation
Canada	Business
Cardiff	Biology / Biomed
Cardiff Institute	Sport Studies / leisure Mgt
Dundee	Accountancy
Edinburgh	Applied Sport Science
Exeter	Management
Glasgow	Geography
Imperial	Physics
Kingston	Interior Design
L S E	Economics
Lancaster	English
Leeds	Environment / Business
Leeds	Geography / Mgt
Leeds	Geography / Mgt
Leeds	Maths
Leeds	Product Design
Lincoln	Architecture
Liverpool	Biomedical Science
Liverpool	French / Film studies
Liverpool	Medicine
Liverpool	Politics
Loughborough	Applied design / Product
Loughborough	Accounting / Finance
Loughborough	Industrial Design Technology
Nottingham	Accounting / Finance
Nottingham Trent	Business Mgt
Nottingham Trent	Sports Studies
Oxford	Art Foundation
Oxford Brookes	Hotel / Restaurant Mgt
Oxford Brookes	International Tourism
Oxford Brookes	Marketing/ Mgt
Oxford Brookes	Real estate Mgt
R A C	Agricultural Land Mgt
Reading	Agricultural Business Mgt
Reading	Hotel Mgt
Reading	Land Mgt
Reading	Law
Reading	Law/Euro Law
Reading	Rural Resource Mgt
Sheffield	Architecture

Sheffield	Materials/Structural Engineering
Sheffield	Social Policy
Sheffield Hallam	Electronic Engineering
Sheffield Hallam	Languages / Marketing
Southampton	Aero Engineering
Southampton	French / Philosophy
St Andrew's	Medicine
Surrey I A D	Art & Ceramics
Swansea	Mech Engineering
Trinity Dublin	Medicine
Warwick	Engineering / Business
Westminster	Business
Westminster	Economics for Business
York	Economics / Econometric

EXAMINATION RESULTS

2004 A level results	Entries	A	B	C	D	E	U	Pass %	A/B %
English Lit.	12	1	2	4	4	1		100.0%	25.0%
French	6	1	3	1		1		100.0%	66.7%
German	6	1	2		2	1		100.0%	50.0%
Chinese	1		1					100.0%	100.0%
Spanish	2		1	1				100.0%	50.0%
Russian	1	1						100.0%	100.0%
History	5		2	1		2		100.0%	40.0%
Geography	19	4	9	4	2			100.0%	68.4%
Economics	8	2	2	3	1			100.0%	50.0%
Bus. Stud.	37	6	11	15	3	2		100.0%	45.9%
Gov & Politics	14	4	3	5	1	1		100.0%	50.0%
Maths	17	9	2	2	3		1	94.1%	64.7%
Further Maths	7	1	3	2			1	85.7%	57.1%
Physics	8	3	2		2	1		100.0%	62.5%
Chemistry	11	4	2	1	3	1		100.0%	54.5%
Biology	14	2	5	2	1	4		100.0%	50.0%
DT	14	8	5	1				100.0%	92.9%
IT	7	2		3	2			100.0%	28.6%
Art	11	9	2					100.0%	100.0%
Theatre Studies	3		1	2				100.0%	33.3%
PE	7	1	1	3	2			100.0%	28.6%
TOTALS	210	59	59	50	26	14	2	99.0%	56.2%

2004 GCSE results	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U	A-C %	A*/A %
English	67	3	14	21	20	8	1				86.6%	25.4%
English Lit	67	6	31	19	5	5	1				91.0%	55.2%
Chinese	1	1									100.0%	100.0%
French	55	12	20	15	6	2					96.4%	58.2%
German	9	5	2	1	1						100.0%	77.8%
Spanish	14	4	6	3	1						100.0%	71.4%
Russian	1	1									100.0%	100.0%
History	30	5	10	10	3	2					93.3%	50.0%

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Geography	38	7	13	10	5	3			92.1%	52.6%
Bus. Stud.	34	2	6	7	15	3	1		88.2%	23.5%
RS	33.5	2.5	8	13.5	5	2.5	1.5	0.5	86.6%	31.3%
Maths	67	9	9	31	15	3			95.5%	26.9%
Double Science	102		12	38	34	18			82.4%	11.8%
Physics	16	2	8	6					100.0%	62.5%
Chemistry	16	2	7	7					100.0%	56.3%
Biology	16	4	6	6					100.0%	62.5%
DT	16	1	11	3	1				100.0%	75.0%
Art	30	3	15	11	1				100.0%	60.0%
Music	12		3	6	2	1			91.7%	25.0%
Electronics	14	2	3	3	6				100.0%	35.7%
Textiles	9		4	5					100.0%	44.4%
TOTALS	647.5	71.5	188	215.5	120	47.5	4.5	0.5	91.9%	40.1%

A SUMMARY OF RECENT GCSE AND 'A' LEVEL RESULTS

A level Results

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
No. of candidates	69	83	52	53	68
% passes	91.2	95.5	98.1	95.6	99.6
%A/B grades	45.1	53.3	44.6	45.6	53.8
Passes/candidate	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.35
UCAS points/candidate	23.4	24.7	260.8	287	301.7

UCAS points -2001 are: A level: 10 for a grade A, 8 for a grade B, ... 2 for a grade E
AS level: 5 for a grade A, 4 for a grade B, ... 1 for a grade E.

UCAS points 2002 onwards are: A level: 120 for a grade A, 100 for a grade B, ...40 for a grade E
AS level: 60 for a grade A, 50 for a grade B, ... 20 for a grade E

GCSE Results

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
No. of candidates	47	45	60	57	67
% A*/C grades	92.3	91.5	92.7	96.2	91.9
%A*/A grades	31.8	35.6	31.8	34.0	40.1
Passes/candidate	8.5	8.6	8.6	9.0	8.9
Points/candidate	54.5	56.9	55.0	57.4	59.5

Points are 8 for a grade A*, 7 for a grade A, ... 1 for a grade G